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SUBJECT: PHILIPPINE ECONOMIC NEGOTIATIONS

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1. PLEASED WITH INDICATION THAT GOP READY TO ENTER NEGOTIATIONS ON BASIS ACCEPTABLE TO U.S. REMAIN CONCERNED, HOW-
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EVER, THAT PHILS WILL TRY TO AVOID ACTUALLY COMING TO GRIPS

WITH U.S. TREATY INTERESTS. THEREFORE, BELIEVE IT ESSENTIAL TO NAIL DOWN AS FIRMLY AS POSSIBLE THE PARALLELISM OF TRADE AND INVESTMENT ISSUES IN THESE NEGOTIATIONS, BOTH IN THE PROPOSED NOTE, AND IN ESTABLISHING AN AGENDA.

2. REGARDING TIME AND PLACE WE WOULD BE PREPARED TO CONDUCT NEGOTIATIONS NOVEMBER 20 THROUGH 26. ALREADY SCHEDULED COMMITMENTS PRECLUDE OTHER DATES THIS YEAR. ALTERNATIVE WOULD BE JANUARY 12-23. BECAUSE OF THESE COMMITMENTS, MOREOVER, U.S. DELEGATION WOULD NOT BE ABLE TO GO TO MANILA IN NOVEMBER AND TALKS WOULD HAVE TO BE HELD IN WASHINGTON. IN ANY CASE, LAST SESSION WAS IN MANILA AND WE HAVE ASSUMED THAT LOCUS OF TALKS WOULD ALTERNATE AS MATTER OF RECIPROCITY, BARRING SOME PARTICULAR CIRCUMSTANCE THAT MAKES ONE PLACE OR THE OTHER ESPECIALLY APPROPRIATE.

3. ACCORDINGLY, FOLLOWING CHANGES SHOULD BE INCORPORATED IN EMBASSY'S PROPOSED NOTE BEFORE IT IS DELIVERED TO GOP:

A. PARA 4: CHANGE OPENING PHRASE OF SECOND SENTENCE, FROM "AS THE FIRST MAJOR TOPIC" TO "AMONG THE MAJOR TOPICS ..."

B. PARA 5: CHANGE FINAL CLAUSE TO READ: "AND THE U.S. GOVERNMENT IS AGREEABLE TO CONDUCTING THESE TALKS IN WASHINGTON NOVEMBER 20 THROUGH 26." INGERSOLL

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